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2. Charles Sheldon and Spencer Beresford met at the Agency with Scoville, [ ] Warner and [ ] to discuss arrangements for the appearance of the Agency before the House Committee on Science and Astronautics. A number of specific points were covered on which questions had previously been raised by Committee members. It was further agreed that no transcript would be taken and the hearing would be in Room 356 of the Old House Office Building. Arrangements were made for a technical sweep. Staff members to be present in addition to Sheldon and Beresford will be Ducander, Wilcove and Richard P. Hines.

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3. Betty Goetz telephoned and advised that the Senate Disarmament Subcommittee would not require [ ] to appear as scheduled on the 25th of February. She also indicated that Senator Humphrey was considerably disturbed at the basic problem of receiving testimony in executive session which could not be released to place against the many published reports which contain a considerable number of inaccuracies as to various facts. [ ] has been advised.

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4. Miss Elizabeth Strannigan in the office of Senator Gale W. McGee (D., Wyo.) telephoned to advise that the Senator would be pleased to come down to the Agency for lunch on the 9th of March at 12:30 p.m.

5. The Director appeared before the CIA Subcommittee of House Armed Services for the second of a series of briefings of the Committee. See Memorandum for the Record.

6. Confirmed with Miss Stack in the office of Senator Eugene J. McCarthy (D., Minn.) the luncheon at the Agency on Friday, 20 February at one p.m. which the Senator is to attend.

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Subsequently, Mr. Wilcoxon telephoned and seemed somewhat disturbed that we had not responded to him personally since he had telephoned previously.

Also, arrangements were made for Mr. Beresford, Chief Counsel for the Committee, to meet with representatives of OSI to discuss the content of the proposed briefing.

7. The Director telephoned Mr. Cannon, Chairman of CIA Subcommittee of House Appropriations, to discuss the question of briefing the Kilday Subcommittee on fiscal matters. Mr. Cannon was most reluctant to advise the Director on this and indicated he was going to talk to Mr. Taber about it. Mr. Cannon suggested that we try to answer questions in a general way. Mr. Dulles is attempting to reach Mr. Taber directly.

8. Mr. Wells, Legislative Liaison Office in the Post Office Department, called and asked for information concerning the Agency's hospitalization insurance programs. He requested this information so that he might provide a Post Office position on various hospitalization bills which have been introduced. Mr. Wells' inquiry was discussed with [redacted] (Personnel) who will discuss it with the Director of Personnel before a response is given.

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9. Mr. Spencer Beresford, House Space Committee, called in connection with the Agency's briefing of that Committee next Tuesday. Arrangements were made for us to meet with Dr. Sheldon and him tomorrow to discuss the briefing in greater detail. Dr. Scoville and [redacted] will be present. Beresford did mention, however, that the Committee would like information on Soviet scientific research and education programs in the briefing inasmuch as they will receive testimony on U. S. programs of this type very soon and would like to be in a position to draw a comparison.

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10. Mr. Haley in Congressman Wayne L. Hays' office (D., Ohio) called and requested the various Senate and House reports on P. L. 83-600 (S. 16) which relate to the appearances of witnesses before congressional committees and the immunity accorded certain individuals involving national security, etc. Although we did not have copies of these reports, Mr. Haley was given citations to the various reports in the U. S. Code Congressional Service. He was also referred to a law review article (23 GWU Law Review, 3 and 6) entitled, "Immunity and Separation of Powers." Mr. Haley was most appreciative of this information, particularly of the law review article.